



# County of Los Angeles CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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Chief Executive Officer

January 24, 2008

To: Supervisor Yvonne B. Burke, Chair  
Supervisor Gloria Molina  
Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky  
Supervisor Don Knabe  
Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich

From: William T Fujioka  
Chief Executive Officer

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## VIABILITY OF TOUCH FREE DISPENSARIES IN COUNTY RESTROOMS

On November 20, 2007, on the motion of Supervisor Antonovich, your Board instructed the Chief Executive Office to work in conjunction with the Directors of Public Health and Internal Services to research the viability of touch free dispensaries in County restrooms and report back to the Board within 60 days.

On December 3, 2007 staff met with representatives from the Department of Public Health, Internal Services Department (ISD) and all other County departments to discuss the motion. Based on ISD's analysis, the cost per unit to purchase and install touchless dispensaries is \$350 per faucet, \$160 per towel dispenser and \$120 per soap dispenser. The cost to install touchless dispensers in the Hall of Administration, for example, is approximately \$220,000 based on the number of paper towel dispensers, faucets and soap dispensers that need to be replaced.

We will have a total countywide count of required dispensaries by the end of February when we have completed the installation of the Hand Washing Signs. Due to the vast number of dispensaries through-out the County, the over-all cost is expected to exceed \$10 million dollars to accomplish this task. Therefore, we recommend that existing units be changed to touchless dispensers as they wear out or fail.

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c:     Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors  
         County Counsel  
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         Director, Internal Services Department